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The Annual

We still have quite a number of copies of the Annual on hand. We issued only 850 copies. Every one of these should be disposed of. Some of our ministers have given us splendid patronage in this work, ordering as many as three or four dozen. Reader, if you have not one already, could you not use it at 10 cents per copy, postpaid or six copies for 50 cents or \$1.00 per dozen? Besides many other good things, it contains a digest of the minutes of last national conference.

Have You Read "Law of Baptism" by J. B. Wampler?

We have 2000 copies of this pamphlet fresh from the press. Good authority has pronounced this production the best and most convincing proof and argument ever written in the Brethren church.

As was announced for the last sixty days the pamphlet was ready for mailing on Feb. 1st. Please see the list of Tracts, etc., in this issue for prices and description of this pamphlet.

Ministers and Active Laity: Here is an opportunity to obtain aids for more efficient service. All orders will be filled promptly.

Holsinger's History

A number of orders for Brother Holsinger's History have been received and the books have been ordered from the Publishers. Many more copies will be disposed of soon. This is a good time to read. Why not get your book now and read it before the busy spring work opens up? You all meant to have the book. Our last announcement was misunderstood by some people. We are not running opposition to any of Brother Holsinger's other agents and in order to make our position clear to every one, we can furnish the book *only on these terms*: Any one sending us \$4.00 cash will have their subscription to the EVANGELIST extended one year from date of expiration and receive the Holsinger History bound in cloth, postpaid. Or \$4.50 cash will extend your EVANGELIST one year and bring to you, postpaid, the book in leather binding. Address all orders to, Brethren Pub. Board.

Personal Mention

Sister Detwiler reports the organization of another S. S. C. E. with a very respectable membership.

Brother W. H. Miller closed his meeting at Milford, Indiana, and while there were no accessions, yet much good was done, and no doubt there will be a future harvesting from this sowing of the precious seed.

Brother E. E. Otto, Fort Scott, Kansas, writes: "I will not be without our EVANGELIST nor Quarterly, for they are worth to me their weight in gold, and can't see how any one belonging to the Brethren church can be without both."

Brother E. D. Burnworth expects to get back to his appointments next Sabbath, as it is now reported the quarantine on account of smallpox will be lifted by that time. Let us hope that such may be the case.

Falls City, Nebraska, has had a great awakening. A revival meeting conducted by a specialist resulted in 273 confessions, a score or more of whom will come to the Brethren church. Brother Ditch, the disabled part of the time, has not failed in his duty toward this movement.

Brother C. F. Yoder reports two more accessions to the church at Warsaw, Indiana, at the regular services, and one at Dutchtown at the regular prayer meeting. These conversions at the stated Sabbath services and mid-week prayer meetings are always indications of life in the church, and never fail to bring showers of blessing to the membership.

We are sure that the readers of the EVANGELIST will be glad to learn of the old time success that is accompanying the labors of Brother Bashor at Udell, Iowa. Twenty eight conversions are reported, eighteen of whom confessed Christ at one service. We are prepared to hear of yet larger things from this place, tho already a great victory has been won for the Master.

Brother McFaden, we are glad to know, is encouraged with the work at Carleton of which he has charge. The church is widening the sphere of its influence and planning for larger work. Brother Bashor is expected to assist in some special services. Brother McFaden still believes in printer's ink, as is evidenced by the neat calendar which he has issued for the benefit of his membership. It contains a cut of the church and parsonage, and also a portrait of the pastor. We are pleased to note that the church at Carleton holds to the apostolic method of raising money.

Since the report by Brother White of the meeting at Maple Grove, Indiana, another has been added to their membership, and one for whom the church has been praying importunately, and who brings with him an influence that will tell for good. All souls are alike precious in the sight of the Lord, but not all have the same influence, and power to do good is according to the talents one possesses. We are always glad to learn of the conversion of souls, and especially so of men and women of power whose membership in the church means the enlargement of the kingdom of God.

Brother Summers writes that after a three weeks' conflict he is able to report nine confessions and accessions to the Bethel church, Indiana. It seems that wordliness somewhat interfered with the work, and hindered a yet larger measure of success. Worldliness is a deadly sin, and when too much of it gets into the church it is likely to do what Saul the persecutor did, make havoc. Nevertheless the meeting was a good and successful one.

Brother Gillin certainly misunderstood us in reference to his attending the New York University. We did not mean to say that, and in fact do not think that we *did* say that. Referring to the experience he is having in the city, we reported that he was in two schools, one Columbia University, the other New York City, and by the latter we meant to convey the idea that as he was making a study of city life as it is in New York, it was in that sense a schooling. In other words the school to which we had reference was not New York University, but the city of New York with its teeming multitudes and its heterogeneous population, representing probably all nationalities and

therefore every phase of human life and experience.

We are in receipt of a very encouraging letter from Brother Shively, California, relating to the work of Brother Darling. He says: I am glad to inform you that we are more and more positive that we have made no mistake in securing Brother Darling for our evangelistic work. He is proving himself a workman that needeth not to be ashamed. The meeting at Atwater resulted in five conversions, and a general awakening of the community. He is now at Turlock, and there is a good reason for believing that much good will be done. Brother Shively also expresses his appreciation of the EVANGELIST, and makes special reference to the papers by Brethren Tombaugh and Gillin as of unusual interest.

Brother B. C. Moomaw administers a merited rebuke to those religious journals carrying advertisements which on the very face of them bear the marks of fraud. It is a severe rebuke but not too severe. No religious paper has any right, and its very profession forbids it, to insert advertisements in its columns for pecuniary gain, which the management of said paper can not recommend to its patrons to be what it purports to be. The Sunday School Times and a few other religious journals will make good any loss their subscribers may suffer thru an advertisement in their publications which is not what it is recommended to be. A lower standard than that is not a safe ideal for a paper which aims to teach people to live the life of Christ in the flesh.

The meeting in the Dayton mission, conducted by the pastor, Brother Kimmel, resulted in twenty-nine accessions, and beyond doubt was one of, if not the most successful meeting ever held in that city by our people. The whole brotherhood will rejoice in this signal victory for the cause of the Brethren church. Brother Kimmel has never been without faith in the ultimate success of our work in that city, and the results of the last meeting fully justify his most sanguine expectations. We trust that the Brethren churches in the State of Ohio will unite hand and heart in the financial support of our mission in that city. The prospects are good for a strong and self-supporting church there. The paramount duty of the churches of the State is a concentrated effort until the work has become self-supporting.

The report of the Chicago Church Fund by Brother Cassel, on another page is self-explanatory. From the beginning of the canvass we have endeavored to keep this work before the brotherhood, and unceasingly emphasized the importance of prompt responses to the calls by the secretary. Some have done nobly, others not so well, still others nothing at all. This, it seems to us would be a good time to even up a little. Let those who have not yet contributed give freely, and let others whose gifts have not been in proportion to their ability to give, enlarge them; after that the remainder will easily be made up. The brethren who have so generously advanced the money to make up the deficiency should be made to wait long for its return. The church can consider itself quite fortunate in having such men, but in order to keep them we must not break confidence with them.

Washington Gladden has been recently doing some plain talking to a purpose and not without good results on the need and place of the religious newspaper in the home. He says: We are proud to say that the periodicals that tell of farming and stock-growing are on our farm-house tables. We